

DOLCH WORD LISTS & ACTIVITIES

The Dolch words are the 220 most frequently found words in books that children read. The lists are in order of frequency. These lists are most studied in first and second grade. Children who learn these words have a good base for beginning reading. Many of these words cannot be sounded out because they do not follow decoding rules. These words must be learned as sight words.

These words include:

The image shows a 'Pre-Primer List' of Dolch words. The title is in a stylized, italicized font. The words are arranged in a 4x10 grid. The background of the entire image is a light blue pattern with small yellow stars and faint, scattered letters (A, B, C, R) and symbols (x).

a	and	away	big	blue	can	come	down	find	for
funny	go	help	here	I	in	is	it	jump	little
look	make	me	my	not	one	play	red	run	said
see	the	three	to	two	up	we	where	yellow	you

Primer List

all	am	are	at	ate	be	black	brown	but	came
did	do	eat	four	get	good	have	he	into	like
must	new	no	now	on	our	out	please	pretty	ran
ride	saw	say	she	so	soon	that	there	they	this
too	under	want	was	well	went	what	white	who	will
with	yes								

First Grade List

after	again	an	any	as	ask	by	could	every	fly
from	give	giving	had	has	her	him	his	how	just
know	let	live	may	of	old	once	open	over	put
round	some	stop	take	thank	them	then	think	walk	were
when									

Second Grade List

always	around	because	been	before	best	both	buy	call	cold
does	don't	fast	first	five	found	gave	goes	green	its
made	many	off	or	pull	read	right	sing	sit	sleep
tell	their	these	those	upon	us	use	very	wash	which
why	wish	work	would	write	your				

Third Grade List

about	better	bring	carry	clean	cut	done	draw	drink	eight
fall	far	full	got	grow	hold	hot	hurt	if	keep
kind	laugh	light	long	much	myself	never	only	own	pick
seven	shall	show	six	small	start	ten	today	together	try
warm									

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